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Attn: Charlene Bowman

Re: First American Corporation/Pacific Northwest Title
Form A Hearing

Dear Ms. Bowman:

A Form A describing a proposed merger with Pacific Northwest Title was delivered to Assistant Deputy Commissioner Jim Tompkins on Monday, January 26, 2004. Mr. Tompkins advised me today that the Form A and supporting material have been "scanned in" and that he is delivering the hard copy to your office.

This is a formal request pursuant to RCW 48.31.010(1)(b) that a hearing to consider the transaction be scheduled and public notice given as promptly as possible.

Very truly yours,

CARNEY BADLEY SPELLMAN, P.S.



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cc: Jim Tompkins
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